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State revokes, suspends licenses, certifications, registrations of health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has revoked or suspended the licenses, certifications, or registrations of health care providers in our state. The department has also immediately suspended the credentials of people who have been prohibited from practicing in other states.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Division works with boards, commissions and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 80 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency's website. Click on "[Look up a health care provider license](#)" in the "How Do I?" section of the [Department of Health home page](#) (doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Chelan County

In May 2016 the Nursing Commission entered an agreement with licensed practical nurse **Susan A. Wilson** (LP00047221) under which she surrendered her credential. Wilson's Alabama nurse credential was revoked in 2016 in connection with falsifying patient records and using unauthorized controlled substances.

In May 2016 the Mental Health Counselor Program entered an agreement with mental health counselor **John D. Hoyer** (LH00009555) that indefinitely suspends his credential. Hoyer didn't file a timely report about allegations of sexual abuse by one of his clients.

Clallam County

In May 2016 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the certified nursing assistant credential of **Timothy B. Hughes** (NC10080658). Hughes didn't respond to an inquiry about a complaint filed against him.

Clark County

In May 2016 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the certified nursing assistant credential of **Glen R. Tilden** (NC10011412), who didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring contract.

In May 2016 the secretary of health suspended the certified nursing assistant credential of **David Andrew Novick** (NC60269393) for at least five years. In 2015 Novick was convicted of eight counts of first-degree computer trespass — domestic violence.

Cowlitz County

In May 2016 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the registered nurse credential of **Shelly A. Miller** (RN00149295), who didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring contract.

Grant County

In May 2016 the Pharmacy Commission indefinitely suspended the pharmacy assistant credential of **Ashley Nichole Johnson** (VB60359499). Johnson didn't comply with an order requiring her to undergo a mental examination.

Grays Harbor County

In May 2016 the Counselor Program entered an agreement with agency-affiliated counselor **Rhonda D. Davis** (CG60317026) that suspends her credential for at least three years. Davis and a client had a sexual relationship and lived together.

King County

In May 2016 the secretary of health suspended the registered nursing assistant credential of **Alisha Patrice Rourk** (NA60413522) for at least two years. Rourk stole property from residents of an assisted living center where she worked.

In May 2016 the secretary of health suspended the emergency medical technician credential of **Kevin D. Best** (ES00120036) for at least 10 years. In 2016 Best was charged with first-degree attempted rape of a child. Best allegedly tried to meet a woman to arrange sex with the woman's minor daughter, but the woman was a law enforcement officer posing as a mother.

In May 2016 the Counselor Program indefinitely suspended the agency-affiliated counselor credential of **Natasha Nicole Young** (CG60526540), who didn't comply with a requirement to ensure supervisory reports were submitted.

In May 2016 the secretary of health suspended the chemical dependency professional trainee credential of **Calvin Maurice Bester** (CO60158209) for five years. In 2015 Bester was convicted of third-degree assault — domestic violence.

In June 2016 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the licensed practical nurse credential of **Julie A. Bowers** (LP00023227), who didn't comply with terms of her probation.

Kitsap County

In May 2016 the secretary of health suspended the certified nursing assistant credential of **Monica Lynn Davenport** (NC60497064) for at least five years. In 2015 Davenport was convicted of third-degree assault — domestic violence and fourth-degree assault.

Pierce County

In May 2016 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the registered nursing assistant credential of **Katrina Marie Washington** (NA60285136), who didn't comply with a requirement to undergo a substance abuse evaluation.

In May 2016 the Dental Program indefinitely suspended the dental assistant credential of **James Collins** (D160250346), who didn't comply with a requirement to provide mental health treatment evaluations.

In May 2016 the Nursing Assistant Program suspended the registered nursing assistant and certified nursing assistant credentials of **Elizabeth Denise Pineda** (NA60387616, NC60387615) for at least three years. In 2015 Pineda was convicted of second-degree trafficking in stolen property.

In June 2016 the secretary of health suspended the registered medical assistant credential of **Sherrilyn M.C. Deflanders** (NA60597159) for at least two years. While working for an in-home care agency, Deflanders stole money from several clients.

Snohomish County

In May 2016 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program indefinitely suspended the chemical dependency professional trainee credential of **Kathryn Jean Merrick** (CO60298671), who didn't comply with requirements to submit supervisor reports or unemployment declarations.

In May 2016 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program indefinitely suspended the chemical dependency professional trainee credential of **Heather Jelan Smith**, also known as Heather Jelan Dry (CO60158178), who didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring contract.

In May 2016 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the certified nursing assistant credential of **Tamra Bonogofski** (NC10086102). Bonogofski didn't meet a requirement to undergo an evaluation for a substance abuse monitoring program.

Spokane County

In May 2016 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the certified medical assistant credential of **Lydia Dee Lee** (CM60508713). After stealing a prescription from her employer's prescription pad in an effort to get narcotics, Lee pleaded guilty to obtaining-attempting to obtain a controlled substance by forgery or fraud.

Walla Walla County

In May 2016 the secretary of health permanently revoked the registered nursing assistant credential of **Maria Santana** (NA60117576), who used a false Social Security number when she applied for her credential.

Whatcom County

In May 2016 the Nursing Assistant and Respiratory Care Practitioner programs indefinitely suspended the registered nursing assistant and respiratory care practitioner credentials of **Scott Warren Reed** (NA00084710, LR00001309), who didn't abide by probationary terms imposed in 2015.

In April 2016 the Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Systems Program Commission entered an agreement with emergency medical technician **Robert Allen Brooks** (ES01172449) that indefinitely suspends his credential. In 2015 Brooks was convicted of third-degree assault.

Out of State

Oregon: In June 2016 the Nursing Commission denied the application of registered nurse **Beverly Ann Bennett** (RN60051331) to reactivate her expired credential. When Bennett applied to activate her expired license, she admitted using chemical substances that might impair or limit her ability to practice with reasonable skill and safety, and that she engages in the illegal use of controlled substances. Bennett didn't respond to requests for a detailed explanation.

Texas: In May 2016 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the registered nurse credential of **Patti Elizabeth French** (RN60554849), who didn't comply with continuing education requirements.

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